

# Wisconsin ASLTA Board Meeting Agenda

ooVoo 3-way chat via webcams from  
Fitchburg, McFarland, and Merrill WI  
Thursday June 18, 2009  
6:30 – 7:30 pm

Meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. President Stefanie Saltern, Vice President Cheryl Kanitz, and Kristin Scheibe were present at the start of the meeting. When Treasurer Brian Fruits was able to sign in, Kristin left, so that Brian could participate, since only three can be online at the same time.

- Reading of the Minutes
  - Previous meeting minutes were not provided.
- Financial Report
  - Administered and approved through email.
- Secretary Pending
  - Some members have been approached and declined becoming our secretary at this time. Stefanie will try to contact other members.
  - Biannual Review in progress by Kristin.
- PDC Update
  - Appointed Kristin Scheibe as PDC
  - Plan 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Saturday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>
    - Held on the weekend of Nov. 21, since WisRID is having their Fall conference on the weekend of Nov. 14 and WAFLT (Wisconsin Association for Language Teachers) has their conference on the weekend of Nov. 7.
    - Survey Votes: Delavan. Our 10th Anniversary workshop will be held on Saturday, Nov. 21 in Delevan. Kristin will contact WSD for meeting room availability.
    - Mini-workshops by local presenters to keep costs low and cover topics on: Wisconsin Deaf History, Teaching Classifiers and Deaf Culture, and Assessment Issues: We hope to have ASL activities, explore resources available to ASL teachers, possibly Deaf mentors, etc.
    - Members basically will only have to pay for their meals and hotel if they stay overnight.
    - Awards banquet & Entertainment: We should all think about something special for this event. A special meal, award, etc.
    - Kristin is coordinating this workshop. At this time we are toying with starting the day at 9 a.m., ending at 5 p.m., OR starting the day at 8:30 a.m., ending at 4:30 p.m., then have a meeting for the membership at 5 p.m. to update interested members on what the board is doing. We may possibly have the board meeting at a restaurant, if one in Delavan has a meeting room available. The meeting would last approximately 1 hour.
  - Chapter News for ASLTA newsletter due June 28<sup>th</sup>
    - Announce or “save the date”, we hope to have some of the information finalized for our Fall workshop before the deadline for the ASLTA newsletter which is June 28.
- Future Teacher Training Workshops
  - We have an opportunity to host two workshops in summer 2010 utilizing UWEauClaire facilities and dorms.

- 1) Assessment & Standards
  - Kim Brown-Kurz along with Jason Zinza have been very busy working on developing K-12 ASL Standards for ASLTA
- 2) Signing Naturally
  - If we have 15 students at a workshop, we need one teacher/instructor. If we have 30 students, we need two instructors.
- Membership Dues and Wisconsin ASL Teacher List Update by July 1<sup>st</sup>
  - The membership dues and Wisconsin ASL Teacher list must be updated by July 1st. Only current members of WisASLTA will have their names on this list.
- Website Administrator
  - Appointed Deb Boness
  - Work on updating the website is pending.
- WAD Conference
  - WisASLTA purchased a 1/4 page advertisement in the booklet for the WAD conference which is happening soon.
- Master ASL Workshop Updates
  - Hotel & Registrations – there were some difficulties with registrants getting the governmental room rates but they are straightened out now.
  - 3 scholarship recipients – three people met requirements by filling out the paperwork, joining membership, and paying the registration on time. Books will be mailed to them. Their portion of the registration and stipend will be paid upon completion of their commitment to attend all four days of the workshop training.
  - Snacks, set-up at 8 a.m. - Stefanie is taking care of this.
  - Workshop will be held at the Brookfield CESA 1 building.
- ASL weekend
  - Committee wrap-up included a rather heated discussion about separating the profits, and how the profits should be used if kept in the 'kitty' for future ASL weekends.
  - Stefanie was the only WisASLTA officer on the ASL weekend committee.
  - Donated leftover T-shirts
  - 2009 Committee wrap-up on May 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Reserved next year for April 30, May 1-2
  - Officers on 2010 Committee?
- ASLTA conference at Phoenix, AZ on Oct. 29-31
  - 2 spots reserved for WisASLTA officers, Who will go? Stefanie hopes to attend. Fruits may attend, but won't know until later. These conference tickets were purchased at the early bird price. Hotel and airfare on your own.
  - Reserve own plane tickets & hotel ASAP
  - ASLTA interestingly enough, is expensive, but the cost is for the facilities, not the presenters. All presenters volunteer and pay their own expenses. ASLTA doesn't pay for the presenter to come. This set up is similar to workshops by WAFLT.
- Other agendas
  - Should we have a Share Shop in Feb?

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Cheryl Kanitz  
WisASLTA Vice President